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NOTE FOR: D/OA&E
FROM: DD/OA&E
SUBJECT: DAS Study

I skimmed through the most recent version of the DAS study yesterday and although I did not have a chance to digest fully the technical contents, I thought it might be helpful to give you my initial reactions:

- The report does indeed contain a great deal of both quantitative and qualitative information on the DAS. It seems to be presented with a reasonable amount of clarity, and the quantitative results appear to be reasonable.
- As HTO, Harvey and even Sally have already stated, the main problem is "What does it all mean?" As it is now, the report leads nowhere. There is no executive summary and there are no conclusions or principle findings.
- I think it is fairly clear that continuation of the current management approach will not quickly lead to an improved report. I also think that it is important for us to either tie this off in the next month or so, or decide to drop it. Assuming that you decide to continue the effort, my recommendation would be to have Harvey get someone assigned to work with Sally to "pull out" of the report the key findings and present them concisely in a short report (either an executive summary with the current report more or less as is, or a 10-20 page main report with sections of the current report as annexes). We need someone who can understand the analysis, and write well and concisely. My recommendations in order of priority are:

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